Appl. No. 10/665,725

Amendment dated December 11, 2007

Reply to Office Action dated June 1, 2007 and

Notice of Non-Compliant Response dated November 16, 2007

REMARKS

In response to the restriction requirement dated June 1, 2007, Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, Group III (Claims 12-13, 89-130). Furthermore, Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, species IIIA. Claims 12-13, 89-105, 113, and 116-130 are believed to correspond to species IIIA.

Additionally, in response to the notice of non-compliant response dated November 16, 2007, Applicants have amended claims 12 and 13 to correct typographical errors. In particular, the semicolon at the end of claim 12 has been replaced with a period and a period has been added to the end of claim 13. Additionally, Applicants would like to point out that the remaining periods contained within claim 12 are used for abbreviations (e.g., NN.TSL is an abbreviation of node-to-node total struts length, FF.TSL is an abbreviation of free-end-to-free-ends total struts length, etc.)

It is believed that the application is now in order for allowance and Applicants respectfully request that a notice of allowance be issued. Applicants do not believe that any extension of time is required. However, if an extension of time is required, please charge the associated fee and any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 19-4972. Applicant also request that the examiner contact applicant's attorney, Jonathan Lovely, if it will assist in processing this application through issuance.

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Respectfully submitted,

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